REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the present application in view of the following remarks and concurrent submissions. Claims 21-38 are pending in the application.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that claims 21-28 are allowed.

Claims 29-38 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. As suggested in the Office Action, Applicants submit a terminal disclaimer signed by Applicants' attorney or record, thus obviating this rejection.

In view of the foregoing and because all objections and rejections have been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

If any issues remain which the Examiner feels may be resolved through a telephone interview, s/he is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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